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For: **A MASK LAYER AND DUAL DAMASCENE INTERCONNECT STRUCTURE IN A SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE**

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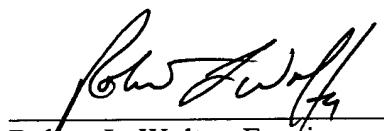
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